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FILE PROCESSING APPARATUS AND COMPUTER-

READABLE STORAGE MEDIUM STORING A PROGRAM FOR

OPERATING A COMPUTER AS A FILE PROCESSING

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□ Declaration, □ Abstract

28 pages of specification and claims (including 20 numbered claims), and

13 sheets of accompanying drawing/s.

Record & return the attached assignment to the undersigned.

Priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C 119 based on the following foreign applications, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application:

Application Number Coun

2000-36221

Country JAPAN

Day/Month/Year Filed

15 February 2000

, respectively.

Certified copy(ies) of foreign application(s) is/are attached.

Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line --This is a of PCT application , filed

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Priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C 120/365 based on the following prior PCT applications designating the U.S.,

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This application is based on the following prior provisional application(s):

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respectively, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application, and priority is hereby claimed therefrom.

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This application is entitled to "Small entity" status.

"Small entity" statement attached.

The Examiner's attention is directed to the prior art cited in the parent application by applicant and/or Examiner for the reasons stated therein.

Preliminary amendment to claims (attached hereto), to be entered before calculation of the fee below.

Also attached: Information Disclosure Statement ; I Non-Publication Request; I Other:

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